COCHIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

(Legislative Session of Vrischigam 1101).

Tuesday, the 8th of December 1925.

The second sitting of the Vrischigam Session of the Council was held in the Town Hall, Ernakulam at 11-30 a. m. on the 23rd of Vrischigam 1101, corresponding to the 8th of December 1925. Messrs. K. Krishna Menon, Lonappan Chakkola, P. Munda Vaidyan and Paulo Mampilli were absent. Dr. A. R. Menon was sworn in.

President.—We shall now go on with the proceedings of this day. First, we shall take up Questions and Answers.

Questions and Answers.

Mr. A. [illegible] SALEM.

26. Will the Government be pleased to inform:—

(i) the object of the granite bunds that have been erected to protect the southern portion of the Island of Vypeen and Cruz Milagre on the western Arabian Sea side of the Island,

(ii) the cost of the said granite bund and, or protective work,

(iii) the name by which the bund is known in the P. W. Department of the State and the name of the Engineer that planned and supervised the same,

(iv) the cost of maintaining the works in order annually

(v) who incurred the cost of putting these bunds and protective works, and to safeguard what interest?

Mr. V K. ARAVINDAKSHA MENON.

(i) The latter part of the question itself furnishes an answer. The bunds are erected for protection.

(ii) There is no information regarding the cost of construction of the bund.

(iii) This bund is known by the name of "Campbell's Bund.". There is no information as to who supervised this work.

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(iv) No information.

(v) There is no information as to the agency that financed the construction of the "Campbell's Bund". This bund was constructed primarily for the benefit of the people and estates at Vypeen.

Mr. A. B. SALEM.

27. Is the Government aware as to what would have happened if these works have not been put up at Cruz Milagre and will the Government be prepared to place any literature they have upon the subject dealing with the dangers or advantages that have induced the authorities to bring these bunds into existence, on the table?

Mr. V. K. ARAVINDAKSHA MENON.

The southern portion of the Vypeen peninsula would have been seriously affected by sea erosions, had this bund not been constructed. There is no literature specially dealing with the reasons for constructing this bund. The Vypeen peninsula seems to have been affected by sea erosions and this portion seems to have been the most vulnerable point in the vicinity of Cochin. It is surmised these must be among the reasons why a sea-wall was constructed there.

Mr. A. B. SALEM.

28. Will the Government be pleased to inform whether it is in contemplation to put further protective works on the sea-shore of the Island in any part thereof?

Mr. V. K. ARAVINDAKSHA MENON.

At Ochchanturuttu the Government are constructing two parallel groynes for the protection of the sea-shore.

Shashtipurthi Memorial of H. H. Sri Sir Rama Varma, G. C. S. I., G. C. I. E.

Mr. A. B. SALEM.

29. Will the Government be pleased to inform whether any building has been put up in memory of the said Shashtipurthi of His Highness Raja Sri Sir Rama Varma, G. C. S. I., G. C. I. E., and if so, what has happened to the same?

Mr. V. K. ARAVINDAKSHA MENON.

The Rama Varma Town Hall at Ernakulam was built in commemoration of the auspicious occasion of the Shashtipurthi of His Highness Raja Sri Sir Rama Varma, G. C. S. I., G. C. I. E. The building is used for holding the Public Library,

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